# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# URBAN DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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JNNURM
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has recently reviewed the working of Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM);

(b) if so, the outcome thereof;

(c) the major hurdles being faced in the implementation of the Mission; and

(d) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in the implementation of the Mission?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a) & (b): Appraisal of JnNURM was conducted by M/s Grant Thornton which has inter-alia stated that JnNURM has been instrumental in rejuvenating the urban space in the country. Post independence, JnNURM has been the country's first national flagship programme of this nature and size for the urban sector.

(c) & (d): The projects under JnNURM are implemented by States through Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and Parastatals. Constraints experienced in implementation of projects relate to utility shifting, delay in receipt of permission from various authorities (Railways, Forests, Post & Telegraph), lack of capacity, land acquisition, contractual issues etc. With respect to implementation of reforms the challenges are with respect to their complexity and difficulty and capacity of local bodies to accomplish them.

Capacity building measures such as conducting Rapid Training Programme (RTP) of the officials of ULBs/Parastatals, supporting Programme Management Units (PMU) at the state level and Project Implementation Units (PIUs) at the ULB level, Independent Review and Monitoring Agency (IRMA) at the state level, etc have been taken with a view to facilitate achievement of targets by the Mission Directorate. The progress of the projects is also assessed through State Level Steering Committee (SLSC), State Level Nodal Agency (SLNA) and IRMA for the State. The progress of the implementation of the approved projects is also reviewed by Government of India to further strengthen implementation of the Mission.